

2. PASSWORD CONTROLLER

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PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain a password controller reinforced with password security without increasing cost and complicatedness in user operation, etc., as much as possible.

SOLUTION: Plural passwords such as first and second passwords are set by a password setting means 101 and allowable frequency of erroneous input of the passwords is set by a means 103 for setting allowable frequency for erroneous input of password. A password function is duplicated by validating the second password when input frequency of incorrect passwords exceeds the allowable frequency for erroneous output of password for the first password by a password function control means 109. Thus, the password function is successively reinforced only when the password is about to be fraudulently detected.

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